tity of field ice. March 2d, in 43° 45′ N., 48° 40′ W., s. s. "Lake Champlain" passed large quantities of field ice and several icebergs; 7th and 8th, s. s. "Oder" between 20 00 11., 50° W., and 44° 52′ N., 50° 03′ W., passed numerous icebergs average of past 21 years; higher mean temperatures and floating ice. Steamer "Otranto" reported: March 6th, (no in 1868, '71, '78 and '79.

Indiana: Vevay, mean temperature 50°.27 or 7°.47 above "The state of the s icebergs; 7th and 8th, s. s. "Oder" between 45° 09' N., 48° from that time up to 10.30 p.m., passed 16 others and field ice extending as far as the eye could reach; 10th, in 47° 00′ N., 46° 30' W., s. s. "Thornholme," passed a large iceberg, also icefield five or six miles long, also, on 11th, at 6 a. m., passed two very large icebergs, one of which was estimated to be four miles in length, and was very high; 18th, in 44° 04′ N., 47° 53′ W., s. s. "Salier," passed several large icebergs; 21st, Bark "Fremad," two days sail from New York, passed through large field of ice. The s. s. "Newfoundland" at St. Johns, N. F., March 28th, reports two vessels jammed in the ice, thirty miles sw., of Cape Pine, also heavy ice everywhere on the coast; 14th, in 43° 29′ N., 49° 05′ W., s. s. "Batavia," passed an ice berg; 10th, in 42° 30′ N., 50° 00′ W., s. s. "City of Brussels" passed a small iceberg; 13th, in 44° 39' N., 47° 36' W., s. s. "Devonia," passed several small icebergs; 12th, in 44° 09' N., 49° 12' W., s. s. "Donau," passed two icebergs; 14th, in 42° 31' N., 50° 05' W., s. s. "Erin," passed an immense iceberg; 17th, in 43° 35' N., 49° 10' W., hundred to five hundred feet long and one hundred feet high; 11th, in 45° 58′ N., 48° 40′ W., s.s. "Iberian" passed through large quantities of field ice, and saw several large icebergs: 15th, in 43° 47′ N., 49° 60′ W., s. s. "Lake Manitoba" passed three icebergs. March 3d, bark "Plymouth" in 43° 40' N., 50° 25' W., passed through about 20 miles of field ice and saw several icebergs: 19th, in 46° 30' N., 47° 30' W., s. s. "Limosa" passed through heavy field ice. The whaling steamer "Esquimaux" arrived at St. Johns, from Dundee, February 28th, and reports having been 13 days among vast fields of ice that stretched s. e. and s. over two hundred miles from the Newfoundland coast. The pack caught her tightly and she remained in it until she drifted up to St. Johns' Harbor. At last accounts, five steam whalers are visible from Cape Spear, locked in the ice and drifting helplessly southward. Between Cape Race and Cape Bonavistathere are now driving southward, no less than a hundred and fifty icebergs, and their rate is about 21 miles per hour.

TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR

The distribution of mean atmospheric temperature over the United States and Canada for the month of March, 1882, is exhibited on chart ii, by the dotted lines in black. The table of mean comparative temperatures, in the lower left-hand corner of the chart, shows, in the first column, the average temperature for the month from the various districts, as determined from observations taken at Signal Service stations during the month of March of previous years; the second column shows the mean temperature for the current month; the third column shows the departure of the mean temperature of the current month from the mean of several years. The temperature is above the normal in all districts east of the Rocky mountain range; and below the normal in the districts on the Pacific coast, except in Oregon and Washington Territory, where it has averaged about 8° above the mean. It has ranged from 4° to 5° above the normal in the southern states, Ohio and Missouri valleys; about 3° above in the middle states and lake region; about 5° below in the middle plateau region; and about 1° below in California.

DEVIATIONS FROM MEAN TEMPERATURE.

Under this heading departures exhibited by reports from the regular Signal Service stations are shown in the table of comparative temperatures on the left-hand side of chart ii. following items of importance, in connection with this subject, are reported by voluntary observers:

Connecticut: Southington, mean temperature varies less than

1° from the average of past 12 years and has not been marked

Illinois: Riley, mean temperature 33°.8 or 3°.8 above the

the average for past 17 years. Mean temperature of winter, beginning with December, 1881, and ending February 28th, 1882, is 41°.23 or 7°.9 above the average winter mean for past 17 years.

lowa: Clinton, mean temperature slightly above the average. Kansas: Lawrence, mean temperature 46°.90 or about 5°.42 above the average of past 14 years; mean temperature for the month at 7 a.m., 40°: at 2 p.m., 55°.93; at 9 p.m. 45°.85. Yates Centre, mean temperature 46°.5 or 8°.4 above the average of past 2 years. Wellington, mean temperature 47°.4 or 3°.3 above the average of the past 3 years and 2°.2 below the mean of March, 1879.

Maine: Gardiner, mean temperature 28°.91 or 0°.91 below the average of past 56 years. Mean temperature of winter (from December, 1881, to March, 1882, both inclusive) is 24°.35 or 1°.24 above the average of the past 46 years. The lowest temperature of the past winter—27° occurred January 25; the lowest on record at this place—40°, occurred in January, 1857; the s. s. "Glamorgan," passed two large icebergs, from three highest minimum temperature for any winter during that period—12°, occurred in January, 1845. During the past winter the temperature fell below zero on 21 dates; during the winter of 1855-6. on 59 dates, and during the winter of 1841-2, on only

Maryland: Fallston, mean temperature 41°.52 or 2°.67 above the average of past 11 years; during that period the highest mean 46°.20 occurred in 1871, and the lowest 32°.90 occurred in 1872.

Michigan: Thornville, mean temperature 35°.9 or about 5° above the average of the past 15 years.

Missouri: St. Louis, Missouri Weather Service reports mean temperature 47°.6 or about 4° above the average of the past 45 years. During that period the mean of March, 1882, has been exceeded 13 times; the highest mean 56°.5 occurred in 1842; the lowest 27°.5 in 1843; Protem, mean temperature 55.45, the highest since 1860.

New Hampshire: Contoocookville, mean temperature 31°.5 is about the average for March for the past 12 years.

New York: Waterburg, mean temperature, 33.1 which is the highest that has occurred during the past 11 years with the exception of March, 1878, mean 37°.4; North Volney, mean temperature 51°.59 or 2°.76 above the average of past 14 years. During that period the highest monthly mean 37°.39 occurred in 1878; lowest 21°.15 occurred in 1872.

Ohio: North Lewisburg, mean temperature 42.0 or 3°.3 above

the average of 51 years.

Pennsylvania: Wellsboro, mean temperature much higher than for any previous year since 1856.

Virginia: Wytheville, mean temperature 45°.6 or 3° above the average of past 18 years.

West Virginia: Helvetia, mean temperature 44.68 or 4°.67 above the average of the past 6 years.

RANGES OF TEMPERATURE AT SIGNAL SERVICE STATIONS.

Monthly ranges of temperature during the month of March varied from 19° to 89° at stations east of the Rocky mountains, and from 32° to 75° at stations on the Pacific coast. The smallest ranges are: Key West, 19°; Port Eads, 23°; Punta Rassa, 27°; New Orleans, 28°; San Francisco, 32°; Mobile and Hatteras 33°; Delaware Breakwater, 34°; Brownsville, Tex., 37; San Diego, 39°. The largest: Ft. Buford, Dak., and Ft. Shaw, Mont., 89°; Ft. Benton, Mont, 88°; Bismarck, Dak., 87°; Ft. Bennett, Dak., 84°; Huron, Dak., 81°; Ft. Assinuaboine, Mont., and Yanker, 80°; Ft. Woodelie, W. 15°; Pt. Woodelie, W. 15°; Pt Mon., and Ft. Washakie, Wyo., 78°; Ft. Keogh, Mont., 76°; Ft. Custer, Mont., and Eagle Rock, Idaho, 75°. The daily ranges varied in the different districts as follows: New Eng-

Table of Comparative Minimum Temperatures for the Month of March.

State or Territory.	Minimum for March, 1882, Signal Service.		Lowest since Signal Service stations were opened—3 to 11 years.			Lowest from any other source.			
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Do			Fort Stevenson	28	1879	Fort Buford	-40	'67 & '70	16 '
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ist, of Columbia	Washington.	23	Washington	4	1873	Washingten	— 5		49 '
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wa Do		10	Keokuk	-10 -10	1875	AlgonaVale	25 10	1880	17
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ichigan	. Alpena	U	Escanaba	-:0	1875	Fort Brady	-32 2	1875	60
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i souri	. Springfield	24	St. Louis	8	73 & 7	Harrisonville	-12		6
Do		18	Fort Benton		1876	St. Louis	— 6 —36		13 4
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ew Hampshire	Mount Washington	19.5	Mount Washington		1874	Dartmouth College	-23		19
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ew Mexico ew York		9 15	Santa Fe	-4	1880 1875	Fo t Union	-36	1882	06
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regon	Umatilla	26	Umatida	13	1880	Camp Harney	- 3		6
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outh Carolina	. Charleston	40	Churleston	26	1873	Fort Moultrie	25		38 '
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Dotah		71	Salt Lake City	4	1874	Fort Griffin	9 3	1876	7 3
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ermont Do		4	Bur;ington	- 4	1573	R udo'ph	-27 -23		17 4
irginia	Fort Myer	::3	Wytheville	- 1	1873	Fortress Monroe	13		57
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isconsin	La Crosse	30	L: Crosse	-23	1873	Supe ior City	-94		3 '
Do Vyoming		- 3	(theyenne	-17	1880	Fort Bridger	23 29		26 20
Do			,	1		Fort Sanders	-28	1875	4 4

land, Mt. Washington, 36° on 28th; Burlington, 29°, 28th; Eastern Gulf states, 20°, 31st; Vicksburg, 25°, 29th; Mont-Boston, 28°, 20th; New London, 27°, 24th. Middle Atlantic gomery, 28°, 2d. Western Gulf states, Mason, Tex., 39°, states, New York, 24°, 19th; Cape May, 28°, 29th; Albany, 39th; San Antonio, Tex., 37°, 10th; Ft. Gibson, 34°, 1st; 22°, 18th; Washington, 30°, 26th; Norfolk, 31°, 26th. South Atlantic states, Augusta, 35°, 3d; Kittyhawk, 32°, 30th; Charleston, 32°, 3d; Savannah, 28°, 24th. Florida peninsula, Key 2d; Louisville, 30°, 27th; Nashville, 31°, 29th; Colum-West, 13°, 10th; Punta Bassa, 23°, 2d; Cedar Keys, 24°, 23d. bas, 29°, 15th, 26th; Memphis, 29°, 25th; Indianapolis,

28°, 9th, 23d. Lower lake region, Rochester and Cleveland, 33°, 29th; Sandusky, 30°, 29th; Oswego, 28°, 29th. Upper lake region, Escanaba, 33°, 23d; Alpena and Port Huron, 32°, 23d; Duluth, 30° on 24th; Grand Haven, 20°, 27th. Upper Mississippi valley, Des Moines, 41°, 25th; Keokuky, 34°, 25th; La Crosse and St. Paul, 31°, 31st. Missouri valley, 34°, 25th; La Crosse and St. Paul, 31°, 31st. Missouri valley, Yankton, 49°, 22d; Ft. Bennett, 50°, 31st; Omaha, 38°, 22d, 25th; Leavenworth, 35°, 14th. Extreme northwest, Ft. Buford, 49°, 7th; Bismarck, 50°, 27th; Moorhead, 42°, 24th. Northern slope, Cheyenne, 39°, 19th; North Platte, 42°, 24th; Ft. Keogh, 44°, 21st, 30th. Middle slope, Pike's Peak, 25°, 21st; Ft. Elliott, 42°, 2d; Dodge City, 46°, 22d; Denver, 39°, 24th. Southern slope, Concho and Ft. McKavett, 41°, 30th; Stockton, 46°, 5th; Ft. Griffin, 44°, 28th; Henrietta, 34°, 28th. Northern plateau, Umatilla, 38°, 31st; Eagle Bock, 39°, 22d; Ft. Missoula, 43°, 31st. Middle plateau, Winnemucca, 36°, 31st; soula, 43°, 31st. Middle plateau, Winnemucca, 36°, 31st; Pioche, 32°, 31st; Salt Lake City, 30°, 31st. Southern plateau, Prescott, 50°, 22d; Phœnix, 47°, 21st; Tucson, 44°, 31st; La Mesilla, 50°, 2nd; Santa Fe, 32°, 21st; Silver City, 44°, 10th. North Pacific coast region, Olympia, 25°, 12th; Portland, 31°, 30th; Roseburg, 37°, 30th. Middle Pacific coast region, San Francisco, 21°, 27th; Sacramento, 26°, 31st; Red Bluff, 33°, 22nd. South Pacific coast region, San Diego, 30°, 23d; Campo, 50°, 23d; Yuma, 39°, 29th.

FROSTS.

In the various districts they were reported on the following dates: New England, 3d, 5th, 7th to 27th, 29th, 31st; Middle Atlantic states, 3d to 9th, 11th, 13th to 20th, 22d to 26th, 28th, 29th, 31st; South Atlantic states, 11th, 14th to 17th, 23d, 25th, 26th, 29th; East Gulf states, 11th, 14th, 22d, 23d, 29th; West Gulf states, 1st, 6th to 11th, 13th, 21st to 24th, 27th 28th; Rio Grande valley, 9th, 10th; Ohio valley and Tennessee, 1st, 2d, 4th to 8th, 10th, 11th, 13th to 17th, 21st to 26th, 28th to 31st; lower lake region, 2d to 26th, 28th to 31st; upper lake region, 1st to 31st; extreme northwest, 1st to 31st, upper Mississippi valley, 1st, 2d, 3d, 5th to 15th, 19th to 25th, 27th to 31st; Missouri valley, 1st to 16th, 19th, 21st to 24th, 26th, 28th to 31st; northern slope, 1st to 13th, 15th to 26th, 29th; middle slope, 1st to 30th; southern slope, 7th to 10th; southern plateau, 1st to 31st; middle plateau, 1st to 24th, 26th, 27th, 31st; northern plateau, 1st to 7th, 9th to 12th, 16th to 21st; north pacific coast region, 1st, 2d to 13th, 18th to 21st, 23d; middle pacific coast region, 3d, 4th, 9th, 19th to 23d; south pacific coast region, 1st, 4th to 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 20th to 23d. Frosts injurious to vegetation were reported as follows: Charlotte, N. C., 23d, peas entirely killed; peach buds and wheat injured. 25th, further injury to wheat and fruit by frost. Charleston, S. C., on 23d, light frost damaging strawberries and early vegetation. Sacramento on 20th, frost killing tender vegetation. Coleman City, Tex., 8th, all kinds of young plants and the buds of fruit trees were frost bitten. Henrietta, Tex., 9th, peach crop much injured by severe weather of past two days.

ICE.

Regarding its formation in the northern sections, this subject is considered elsewhere in The Review, under the head of "Ice in Rivers and Harbors." The following are exceptional cases of its formation in the southern sections of the

Augusta, Ga., 23d; Mason, Texas, 7th and 8th; Indianola, 9th, 10th; Fort Apache, Arizona, 8th; ice formed during night, an unusual occurrence for this season at this place; Red Bluff, 20th, formed during night on quiet water; Ashwood, Tenn., 11th, 14th, 23d, 25th; Austin, Tenn., 23d, 25th; Murfreesboro, Tenn., 14th, 23d, 25th; Coleman City, Texas, 7th.

LOW TEMPERATURES.

Ft. Stevenson, Dak., 20th, worst blizzard of whole winter; complain of severe losses on account of severe cold weather. rainfall as compared with the average for many years. Exam-

Table of Maximum and Minimum Temperatures for March, 1882.

State or	Signal Serv	rice.	U. S. Army Post Surgeons or Voluntary Observers.			
Territory.	Station.	Max.	Min.	Station.	Max.	Min.
Alabama Arizona	Montgomery Yama	0 56 95	42 	Auburn Maricopa	101	33
Do Arkansas California	Little Rock Los Angeles	83 88	13 39	Mount Ida Antioch	84 98	29
Do Colorado	West Las Animas.	77	15 6	Summit	80	- 4 - 8
Connecticut Do	Pike's Peak New Haven New London	33 50 59	24.5 13	Southington		ո
Dakota Do	Ft. Stevenson	SU	 —23	Fort Randall Pembina	85	24
Delaware District of Columbia.	Breakwater		28 23	Fort Barrancas		4,
Florida Do Do	Cedar Keys, Jack- sonville and	58		Fort Barrancas	**********	41
Do	Pensacola	89	47		}	
Idaho Do	Atlanta Ft. Lapwai Eagle Rock	80	34 16			
Illinois Do	Cairo and Spring- field	73		Anna	78	_
Indiana Do	Champaign Indianapolis	71	21 24	rison Lacona Spiceland	78	21
Indian Territory Iowa	Fort Supply Des Moines	74	17 10	Logan	78	4
Kansas	Davenpor Dodge City	81	10 14	Manhattan and Wellington		12
Kentucky	Louisville Shreveport	75	31 41	Bowling Green	79	30
M line Do	Portland Eastport	- 54	10	Orono,		-2.7
Maryland Do Massachuset s	Baltimore	69	25 15	Cumberland Deer Park Somerset		13
Nichigan	Springfield	ti- <u>1</u>	15	South Lee Fort Brady		
Do	St. Paul St. Vincent	58	0 25	New Ulm	61	
Mississippi Missouri	Vicksburg Saint Louis	84 79	43	Fayette	86	41
Montana Do	Springfield Forts Custer and Keogh	76	24	Ft. Shaw		19
Do Nebraska	Fort Shaw Omaha	77	-1S	Lincoln	89	
Nevada	Winnemucca	7:2	3	Genoa Humboldt Elko	82	2 - 7
New Hampshire New Jersey	Mt. Washington Atlantic City	37 66	-19.5	AuburnFreehold	58	10 16
Do Do New Mexico	Sandy Hook and Birnegat La Mesilla	87	20	Ft. Union		_12
New York	Santa Fe New York City	67	9	Johnstown		2
North Carolina	Oswego Wilmington Charlotte		15 30	Murphy	ļ	27
Ohio Do	Cincinnati Cleveland, Co.um-	70	ļ	Jacksonburg Ruggles and New	72	
Do Oregon	bus and San- dusky		22 26	Ruggles and New Athens		18
Pennsylvania	Pittsburg	75	21	Dyberry		8
Rhode Island South Carolina,	Charleston	85	18 40	Stateburg	89	36
Tennessee Do Texas	Knoxville		20			
Utah	Fort Elliott Salt Lake City	68	18 11	Coalville		0
Vermont Virginia Do	Burlington Cape Henry Fort Myer	ก <u>ี</u> 7ช	22	Luneuburg Snowville Wytheville	59	20 20 20
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West Virginia Wisconsin Do	Morgantown, Madison and Mil- wanker	62	22	Helvetia Beloit Ashland	76 67	20
Do	La Crosse Fort Washakie		10 3	Ft. Bridger		— Z —16
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PRECIPITATION.

The distribution of rainfall over the United States and Canada for March, 1882, as determined from observations taken at over five hundred stations, is exhibited on chart iii. The table at the left hand corner of this chart shows the average monthly 21st, blizzard still raging; Eagle Rock, Idaho, 6th, coldest rainfall, determined from the records of the Signal Service weather ever experienced here at this season; 7th, stock men stations in the several districts, and the excess or deficiency of